

**Report of  
Endangered, Threatened, and Special Concern  
Plants, Animals, and Natural Communities  
for Butler County, Kentucky**

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## Key for County List Report

Within a county, elements are arranged first by taxonomic complexity (plants first, natural communities last), and second by scientific name. A key to status, ranks, and count data fields follows.

### STATUS

KSNPC: Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission status:

N or blank = none    E = endangered    T = threatened    S = special concern    H = historic    X = extirpated

USESA: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service status:

blank = none    C = candidate    LT = listed as threatened    LE = listed as endangered

SOMC = Species of Management Concern

### RANKS

GRANK: Estimate of element abundance on a global scale:

G1 = Critically imperiled

GU = Unrankable

G2 = Imperiled

G#? = Inexact rank (e.g. G2?)

G3 = Vulnerable

G#Q = Questionable taxonomy

G4 = Apparently secure

G#T# = Intraspecific taxa (Subspecies and variety abundances are coded with a 'T' suffix; the 'G' portion of the rank then refers to the entire species)

G5 = Secure

GH = Historic, possibly extinct

GNR = Unranked

GX = Presumed extinct

GNA = Not applicable

SRANK: Estimate of element abundance in Kentucky:

S1 = Critically imperiled

SU = Unrankable

Migratory species may have separate ranks for different population segments (e.g. S1B, S2N, S4M):

S2 = Imperiled

S#? = Inexact rank (e.g. G2?)

S3 = Vulnerable

S#Q = Questionable taxonomy

S#B = Rank of breeding population

S4 = Apparently secure

S#T# = Intraspecific taxa

S#N = Rank of non-breeding population

S5 = Secure

SNR = Unranked

S#M = Rank of transient population

SH = Historic, possibly extirpated

SNA = Not applicable

SX = Presumed extirpated

### COUNT DATA FIELDS

# OF OCCURRENCES: Number of occurrences of a particular element from a county. Column headings are as follows:

E - currently reported from the county

H - reported from the county but not seen for at least 20 years

F - reported from county & cannot be relocated but for which further inventory is needed

X - known to have extirpated from the county

U - reported from a county but cannot be mapped to a quadrangle or exact location.

The data from which the county report is generated is continually updated. The date on which the report was created is in the report footer. Contact KSNPC for a current copy of the report.

Please note that the quantity and quality of data collected by the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program are dependent on the research and observations of many individuals and organizations. In most cases, this information is not the result of comprehensive or site-specific field surveys; many natural areas in Kentucky have never been thoroughly surveyed, and new species of plants and animals are still being discovered. For these reasons, the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program cannot provide a definitive statement on the presence, absence, or condition of biological elements in any part of Kentucky. Heritage reports summarize the existing information known to the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program at the time of the request regarding the biological elements or locations in question. They should never be regarded as final statements on the elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments.

KSNPC appreciates the submission of any endangered species data for Kentucky from field observations. For information on data reporting or other data services provided by KSNPC, please contact the Data Manager at:

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County	Taxonomic Group	Scientific name	Common name	Statuses	Ranks	# of Occurrences				
						E	H	F	X	U
Butler	Vascular Plants	<i>Gentiana flavida</i>	Yellow Gentian	E /	G4 / S1S2	0	1	0	0	0
Butler	Vascular Plants	<i>Leavenworthia torulosa</i>	Necklace Gladecress	T /	G4 / S2	0	0	0	1	0
Butler	Aquatic Snails	<i>Lioplax sulculosa</i>	Furrowed Lioplax	S /	G5 / S3S4	0	1	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Cumberlandia monodonta</i>	Spectaclecase	E / C	G3 / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Cyprogenia stegaria</i>	Fanshell	E / LE	G1Q / S1	3	1	2	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Epioblasma obliquata obliquata</i>	Catspaw	E / LE	G1T1 / S1	1	3	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Epioblasma triquetra</i>	Snuffbox	E / SOMC	G3 / S1	0	0	1	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Fusconaia subrotunda</i>	Longsolid	S /	G3 / S3	9	0	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Lampsilis abrupta</i>	Pink Mucket	E / LE	G2 / S1	3	0	1	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Lampsilis ovata</i>	Pocketbook	E /	G5 / S1	2	1	2	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Obovaria retusa</i>	Ring Pink	E / LE	G1 / S1	0	0	2	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Plethobasus cyphus</i>	Sheepnose	E / C	G3 / S1	3	0	1	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Pleurobema clava</i>	Clubshell	E / LE	G2 / S1	0	0	0	3	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Pleurobema plenum</i>	Rough Pigtoe	E / LE	G1 / S1	8	1	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Pleurobema rubrum</i>	Pyramid Pigtoe	E / SOMC	G2G3 / S1	10	1	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Simpsonia ambigua</i>	Salamander Mussel	T / SOMC	G3 / S2S3	0	1	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Toxolasma lividus</i>	Purple Lilliput	E / SOMC	G2 / S1	0	1	0	0	0
Butler	Freshwater Mussels	<i>Villosa lienosa</i>	Little Spectaclecase	S /	G5 / S3S4	1	2	1	0	0
Butler	Crustaceans	<i>Orconectes ronaldi</i>	Mud River Crayfish	T /	G3 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Insects	<i>Stylurus notatus</i>	Elusive Clubtail	E / SOMC	G3 / S1	0	0	0	0	1
Butler	Fishes	<i>Ammocrypta clara</i>	Western Sand Darter	E / SOMC	G3 / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Fishes	<i>Ichthyomyzon castaneus</i>	Chestnut Lamprey	S /	G4 / S2	0	1	0	0	0
Butler	Fishes	<i>Lampetra appendix</i>	American Brook Lamprey	T /	G4 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Fishes	<i>Lepomis miniatus</i>	Redspotted Sunfish	T /	G5 / S2	3	0	0	0	0
Butler	Fishes	<i>Phenacobius uranops</i>	Stargazing Minnow	S /	G4 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Amphibians	<i>Cryptobranchus alleganiensis alleganiensis</i>	Eastern Hellbender	S / SOMC	G3G4T3T4 / S3	0	1	0	0	0
Butler	Amphibians	<i>Hyla avivoca</i>	Bird-voiced Treefrog	S /	G5 / S3	2	0	0	0	0

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Butler	Reptiles	<i>Nerodia erythrogaster neglecta</i>	Copperbelly Water Snake	S / SOMC	G5T3 / S3	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Breeding Birds	<i>Ammodramus henslowii</i>	Henslow's Sparrow	S / SOMC	G4 / S3B	2	0	0	0	0
Butler	Breeding Birds	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Barn Owl	S /	G5 / S3	1	0	0	0	0
Butler	Mammals	<i>Myotis grisescens</i>	Gray Myotis	T / LE	G3 / S2	2	0	0	0	0
<b>Butler County Total:</b>						<b>56</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>